

Sacramento Ethnic Community Survey  
Oral History Index  
Interview of Hugh Thrower By Thomas D. Norris  
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Time Into Tape	Subject
0:00	Introduction by interviewer.
1:40	Life in Oklahoma. Reasons for coming to California. Trip to California, 1933.
7:35	Settles in Fairfield. Experiences of prejudice while attending Fairfield Grammer School.
11:25	Plays fiddle and guitar at dance parties attended by Okies living living in Fairfield.
13:15	Attending church in California.
14:10	Moves to Sacramento after World War II. Works at the Sacramento Army Depot.
18:00	Living in Del Paso Heights, 1940s and 1950s. Okies and construction industry.
25:30	Decline of Okies in construction trades, 1960.
27:00	Visiting Oklahoma during the 1940's and 1950's.
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0:00	Continued association with other Okies, 1960's.
2:15	Attending dances at the Red Barn and Rainbow Gardens, 1940s.
6:30	Runs picture booth at Wills' Point, 1940s-1950s.
7:30	Forms country band in 1967. Plays various clubs around Sacramento.

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15:15	Joins the Seventh Day Adventist Church.
17:15	Works for Rural California Housing Corporation building low-income housing, 1980s. Company dominated by Okies and Mexicans.
22:30	Lingering Okie cultural influences in his and his children's lives.

End of Interview